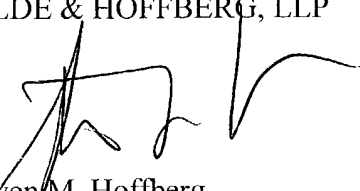


REMARKS

Claims 1-34 are in the application. Claims 31-34 are new.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned prior to issuing a further office action to discuss and hopefully resolve any outstanding issues.

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